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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**IN RE APPLICATION OF:**  
Rogers

**SERIAL NO. 10/665,059**

**FILED: 09/18/2003**

**EXAMINER: Conley, F**

**GROUP ART UNIT: 3673**

**TITLE: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REDUCING STRESS CONCENTRATION WHEN  
SUPPORTING A BODY**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 09/29/2004, please consider the following:

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## **REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks made in a good faith attempt to move prosecution of this application forward to a proper allowance of the claims.

Please note that any and all fees associated with this response, including any applicable extension fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.136, and any fees for newly presented claims, may be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned, Account No. 50-0894.

Applicant here requests such extensions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 as may be necessary to render this response timely.

### **Claim Objections**

Claims 14-16, 18-19, 21, and 23 currently stand objected to as Examiner states that it is unclear what Applicant attempts to encompass with the limitations "or other structure," "or otherwise designed or configured," "or other means" recited in the claims.

Please note that claims 14-16, 18-19, 21, and 23 have been appropriately amended. Specifically the limitations "or other structure" and "designed or configured" have been amended to remove any ambiguity. Applicant cannot find "or other means" in any of the above mentioned claims.

### **Claim Rejections; 35 U.S.C. 102(b)**

Claims 12, 14-16, 18, and 23 currently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) in view of U.S. Pat. No. 5,675,855 issued to Culp ("Culp"). Applicant respectfully submits that

Applicant respectfully submits, that in view of the above, claims 1-12, 14-16, 18-19, 21, and 23-25 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement are hereby requested, and allowance of Claims 1-12, 14-16, 18-19, 21, and 23-25 at an early date is solicited. If impediments to allowance of the claims remain and a telephone conference between the undersigned and the examiner would help remove such impediments in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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